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BOMB SHELTERS HA NOI AREA. NORTH VIETNAM 2101N 10551E

1. SIGNIFICANCE:

THIS BRIEFING BOARD PORTRAYS THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SYSTEM OF DEFENSE SHELTERS THROUGHOUT THE HA NOI AREA.

2. REMARKS:

THE INDIVIDUAL TYPE BOMB SHELTER DEPICTED ON THE GRAPHIC APPEARS TO BE A VIETNAMESE INVENTION. LOCALLY MANUFACTURED CONCRETE PIPE ALLOWS THE NORTH VIETNAMESE TO CONSTRUCT HUNDREDS OF INEXPENSIVE INDI-VIDUAL BOMB SHELTERS.

MISSION READOUT: 3.

PHOTOGRAPHY FROM LOW ALTITUDE DRONE RECONNAISSANCE MISSIONS OVER HA NOI¹ REVEALS A SYSTEM OF DEFENSE SHELTERS BEING ESTABLISHED WITHIN THE CITY AND ITS ENVIRONS. THIS DEFENSE NETWORK CONSISTS OF BOTH BUNKERED SHELTERS. PROBABLY CONSISTING OF UNDERGROUND EXCAVATIONS WITH EARTHEN MOUNDS ABOVEGROUND, AND INDIVIDUAL SHELTERS. BOTH TYPES OF BOMB SHELTERS HAVE BEEN OBSERVED ALONG

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SHORT STREET SEGMENTS, IN PUBLIC PARKS, AND DISPERSED THROUGHOUT BUILDING GROUNDS.

THE INDIVIDUAL SHELTER UNITS ARE MADE FROM PAIRED,
CIRCULAR CONCRETE PIPES. EACH SECTION IS APPROXIMATELY
THE LOWER

OR BASE SECTION, CONSTRUCTED WITH A SOLID CONCRETE
BOTTOM, IS PLACED IN THE GROUND. A TOP SECTION, OPEN
AT BOTH ENDS, IS THEN APPARENTLY CEMENTED TO THE BASE.
A SMALL NOTCH ON THE UPPER EDGE OF THE TOP SECTION
SERVES AS AN AIR VENT WHEN A CIRCULAR CONCRETE LID IS
PLACED OVER THE SHELTER. THE RESULTING SHELTER,
APPROXIMATELY FIVE FEET DEEP, CAN ADEQUATELY ACCOMMODATE AN INDIVIDUAL IN A CROUCHED OR STOOPED POSITION.

COLLATERAL PHOTOGRAPHY² REVEALS A METHOD OF PRODUCTION AND INSTALLATION OF THESE INDIVIDUAL SHELTERS. THE CONCRETE PIPE FOR THE SHELTERS IS PROBABLY MANUFACTURED IN THE HA NOI AREA. ONE SMALL PLANT LOCATED IN THE NORTHWEST SECTION OF HA NOI (NEAR A REPORTED ENGINEERS BARRACKS AND WATERWORKS) IS OBSERVED WITH SEVERAL HUNDRED CONCRETE SECTIONS IN STORAGE. SIMILAR

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